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Dayna Tietzen plays Morticia and Rob Torr plays Gomez on Tuesday in the Neptune Theatre's upcoming production of the musical *The Addams Family*, which premieres Friday. JEFF HARPER/METRO

City might see Mayor Kelly 2.0

POLITICS

Social media reaction mostly negative about possible return



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Former Halifax mayor Peter Kelly says he is considering running for his former job in the next municipal election.

Kelly, currently the CAO of Westlock County, Alta., was in town over the Easter weekend.

He told News 95.7's Rick Howe Tuesday morning that he had been hearing from residents asking him to return to the city's top job, and is thinking seriously about it — though he hasn't made a final decision.

Kelly didn't return an email or



Peter Kelly JEFF HARPER/METRO

phone call for further comment from Metro.

Current Mayor Mike Savage said he hasn't decided yet whether to run again, but said Kelly's possible candidacy wouldn't factor in his eventual decision.

"For me it'll be based on, 'Does this suit myself and my family and do I feel like I'm getting the things done that I want as mayor?'" said the former Liberal MP, adding he would expect to face more than one contender in 2016. "There was ... lots of

competition in 2012, it led to lots of discussion and good ideas."

Kelly told Metro days before leaving office he had often worked 80 to 90 hours a week, and sometimes slept in his office.

His last term was plagued by scandals, including the controversial eviction of Occupy Nova Scotia protesters from Victoria Park on Remembrance Day, the "Cash for Concerts" episode and the mishandling of a friend's estate, which led to Kelly's decision not to run for office in 2012.

Reaction on social media was mostly negative.

"At least the snow removal was done properly when he was Mayor ... but surely there is another way to get that done (than) him," said Gwen Dorey Lambert on Metro Halifax's Facebook page.

And @TeeTeeFonebone tweeted: "He better be heavily disguised and have a new name."

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Dartmouth woman speaks up about late-night pizza attack

EASTER WEEKEND

Paige Beaudry unsure if she'll need plastic surgery

Julia Manoukian
For Metro

When Paige Beaudry went out for a late-night slice with her boyfriend, the last thing she expected was having scorching hot pizza smeared in her face.

The 22-year-old Dartmouth woman was visiting her parents in Truro for Easter weekend. After going out to a popular local pub, the Engine Room, the two headed to The Pizza Market at about 2:15 a.m.

"We were waiting in line, maybe 10 to 15 minutes, and there were these three girls in front of me. I noticed them at the Engine Room."

Beaudry, who grew up and attended high school in Truro, didn't recognize the women.

"This gentleman comes up, and I don't think he knew them, but he was trying to pick up the



Paige Beaudry sustained burns to the face after being assaulted by a woman with a hot slice of pizza in Truro over the weekend.

JEFF HARPER/METRO

brunette in the group (at the Engine Room) ... he was trying to butt in line, and I was like, 'Dude, we've been waiting here,'" said Beaudry from her living room in Dartmouth on Tuesday, her face and neck covered with scabbing burns.

Beaudry was quick to point

out she wasn't overly rude in telling the man to go to the back of the line.

"The girl in front of me said, 'Oh, he's with me, do you have a problem with that?' I just said, 'If you're going to butt, whatever. I don't want a huge scene.' And then the girl with the pizza said, 'What did you say? Do you want this piece of pizza in your face?'" she recalled.

"I just said nothing and kept looking straight," Beaudry then added. "And she just came across

and smushed me with this pizza that literally just came out of the oven. It was steaming hot."

Beaudry said the large slice, fresh out of the oven at about 300 C, ruined all of the clothes she was wearing, including her jacket, which she described as expensive.

"I was completely helpless because I couldn't see anything. I just grabbed for whatever I could, and then the other girls started hitting me, and we all fell. My boyfriend tried to get me out,

and the guy that butted actually held him back so he couldn't help me."

Beaudry said her boyfriend was able to break free and help her out of the pizza store and across the street back to the Engine Room, where an employee called the police.

At the hospital, she said doctors helped soak her face in saline to try and take the heat out. She's still waiting to hear back from a plastic surgeon on the severity of her burns.

+ CHARGED

Three women turned themselves into Truro police on Monday, and a 29-year-old woman is being charged with assault causing bodily harm in connection with the incident.

Since her sister posted photos of her on Facebook, Beaudry has received more than 1,500 shares and lots of media attention. Some of the comments, she said, have been frustrating to read.

"There was some people saying, 'Oh, you know she must have deserved it' or something like that. I didn't provoke her. That was it. I was just trying to be nice."

"We were already waiting, we wanted to get our piece of pizza and go home, you know, Easter was the next day, and it was already late."


Now, Beaudry said she stays at home because people "might laugh and think I'm some kind of troublemaker."

Because she works in a manufacturing plant, she's had to take time off work to prevent the wounds from getting infected.

Beaudry said she will not be returning to Pizza Market.

"They must have had quite a few (drinks), because I don't think anyone in their right mind would do that."


"I was absolutely hysterical, like I didn't know what to do."
Paige Beaudry




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BUSINESS

No rush to get summer tires on

It is the winter that keeps on giving, and tire shops in the city are being affected.

Murad Ghani, manager of Star Tires in Sackville, admitted all is quiet now, but he said he did think back in December that it was going to be an odd next few months business-wise.

Due to the mild weather late last year, most people didn't get their winter tires put on until January.

And April 1 is when his shop starts to get a rush of people changing their tires to all-seasons, but that hasn't begun yet this year.

"I'm thinking everything's moved ahead a month, and it will be busy around May 1," he said.

Ghani said he believes that the shop won't lose any revenue; it will just be redistributed instead.

"I don't think we'll lose money," he said. "It'll just switch a month."

Hill Lord, manager of Miller Tire on Barrington Street, agreed it has been slower than what he usually sees this time of year.

"People are definitely holding off on changing winter tires. There's business in pot-holes, of course," he said.

Lord said the weather had definitely increased the number of minor repairs drivers had done over the winter.

MADISON BLANCHARD/FOR METRO

Golf course stewards singing the winter blues

BUSINESS

All this snow means no tee-offs in the near future

Golf course operators in the province could only shake their heads in disbelief as they awoke to another fresh coating of snow Tuesday.

Even with the bad winter, Gavan Fitzpatrick, the general manager of the Grandview Golf and Country Club, was

hoping to open the 18-hole Dartmouth course by the first week of May.

But with the winter weather continuing to linger well into spring, that date may not even be possible.

"The biggest problem with this weather is the freezing and melting of the snow. It isn't good for the course," Fitzpatrick said.

Fitzpatrick said usually around this time, the temperature stays more consistent with rain, which allows for course maintenance workers to get the greens and fairways



Snow mould can cause a lot of damage to our greens, and we have to keep on top of it or it could cost us more money.

Brad Corkum, Avon Valley Golf and Country Club

prepared for the new season.

This year, though, Fitzpatrick said maintenance staff will be brought in late because of the sheer amount of snow still piled on the course.

"Our golf course in Calgary will open their doors this week and usually Grandview opens up at the exact same time as

they do," he said, adding in past years they've been able to open in mid-April.

Brad Corkum, general manager of the Avon Valley Golf and Country Club in Falmouth, conceded Tuesday the lingering snow will hurt his revenue.

"The snow has a heavy cost on our budget. We pay for

equipment to clear snow off some of the greens and that can cost up to \$1,000 for one day," said Corkum.

Corkum said he usually opens his course at the beginning of April, but this year the course won't open probably until May 1 at the earliest.

"This weather doesn't mean that this year's season will be a bad one, but it does mean that there will be less rounds," he said.

"All I can do is cross my fingers and hope it doesn't snow any more."

ERNESTO CARRANZA/FOR METRO



WEATHER SNOW JUST WON'T GO AWAY A man walks down Dublin Street in Halifax as snow falls on Tuesday morning. Halifax received another 10 centimetres of snow that began overnight and continued into Tuesday morning. JEFF HARPER/METRO

ENFORCEMENT

RCMP focusing again on distracted drivers

It seems ongoing bad weather isn't enough to convince local drivers to put down the phone while behind the wheel.

Halifax District RCMP issued a release Tuesday reminding motorists that talking or texting on a hand-held phone while driving is illegal and dangerous.

According to the release, distracted driving has been a contributing factor to numerous motor-vehicle collisions in Halifax and area over the winter season.

"Despite the bad weather and poor driving conditions over the past two months,

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The cost of a ticket, as of Feb. 1, for a first offence of using a cellphone while driving.

driving during the month of April.

"As the roads open up and spring comes, people can get lax," he said, adding that even a moment of inattention can have deadly consequences.

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'Brilliant' idea may make students more tech-savvy

EDUCATION

Plan gives students access to 3D printers and robotics



Stephanie Taylor
Metro | Halifax

Keira Cassidy sits at a table, poking wires into pieces of celery, carrots and bananas, attaching them to a laptop.

Then with her fingers, she taps each of them, making a "ding" or "beep" sound from the computer.

The 12-year-old from Gaetz Brook Junior High explains she's playing with the fruits and veggies to learn how circuit boards work, adding that her school will be the first in Halifax to receive this new technology.

"I think it's a lot more fun because you get (to try) hands-on learning, you get to try different things that you wouldn't expect," she said. "It's not that hard and it's really fun."

Premier Stephen McNeil and Education and Early Childhood Development Minister Karen Casey announced on Tuesday that the province will be investing \$400,000 to introduce a new initiative called Brilliant Labs. The plan is to integrate interactive technologies into junior high classrooms across Nova Scotia.

McNeil said schools in every school board will have access to these new labs, which will range from 3D printers to robotics, augmented reality headsets and circuit boards.



Georgeta Bauer, left, of the Department of Mechanical Engineering at Dalhousie University, checks out Markus Hayden's Lego creation prior to an education announcement on Tuesday at the Halifax Central Library. JEFF HARPER/METRO

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Keira Cassidy,
Gaetz Brook Junior
High student

"This is a time to move technology into the classrooms to allow us to explore and understand what technology can do for us in such a positive way," McNeil said at the Halifax Central Library.

Afterward, he told reporters each school board will deliver the program slightly differently. Some will have fixed labs, while others will

+ UNDERWAY

The province says the Brilliant Labs program has already been introduced in more than 200 schools across New Brunswick.

have mobile pop-up stations. He also said the province

plans to continue funding the project on an ongoing basis.

Dunovan Kalberlah, principal of Gaetz Brook Junior High, said the school hopes to have its own lab in operation by September. He explained the new technologies will function as tools to allow staff to find more innovative ways to engage students in subjects from English to science.

POLITICS

Library visit a first for premier

It was a big first for Premier Stephen McNeil.

During a news conference for an education announcement that was held in the new Halifax Central Library on Tuesday morning, McNeil began his speech by telling the crowd it was the first time in the building.

He called it a "magnificent facility," saying people have begun to recognize "the focal point (libraries) are becoming from one end of this province to other."

"Now, I don't believe they're going to build a facility like this in Bridgetown, but we may have something that can compare," he said.

Afterward, McNeil told reporters he was out of town when the building initially opened its doors last November, which is why he was unable to attend the opening celebrations — but he has been meaning to visit.

"Actually, I think I've been invited back to serve some coffee at some point."

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Premier Stephen McNeil speaks on Tuesday.

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Minister of Education Karen Casey, left, speaks to Minister of Finance Diana Whalen during question period at the Nova Scotia legislature last year. JEFF HARPER/METRO

Wage freeze sets example: Whalen

BUDGET

Legislation includes N.S. MLAs, 1,800 non-union staff

The salaries of Nova Scotia politicians would be frozen for three years under legislation introduced Tuesday by the provincial government, a move the finance minister says is aimed at setting an example before she brings in this week's budget.

Diana Whalen said the wage freeze would extend as well to about 1,800 non-unionized employees, including senior

managers, secretaries and political staff.

The legislation would also freeze a proposed change to a pension payout known as the public service award for those employees.

The changes would save the government about \$2.5 million a year, she said.

Whalen said the budget will include some tough decisions and the wage freeze is aimed at showing the government will share the load.

"The government understands that we have to be part of the solution, that we also have to curtail and belt-tighten and look after our expenses,"

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The government also wants to eliminate transitional pay to legislature members who are eligible for full pensions. Under the current formula, the maximum payout in transitional pay is \$89,000.

she said.

The last salary increase for house members was a two-per-cent increase two years ago.

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ENTERTAINMENT

N.S. film, TV industries fear tax credit will be budget cut casualty

Nova Scotia's finance minister is attempting to quell fears from the province's film and television industry that the government may cut a tax credit in Thursday's budget.

Diana Whalen responded Tuesday to mounting pressure from the sector, which hopes to protect an incentive it says is crucial to remaining competitive.

Whalen said she's heard from many people in the industry in the past couple of days and while there's a lot of speculation, they should wait to see what is in the budget.

"We will be talking and there's going to be a tomorrow, let me put it that way," she said.

Many in the film and tele-

It is a fluid industry and it goes to where the best tax credits are and right now we have the competitive edge.

Lenore Zann, NDP member

vision industry have been sounding the alarm since Whalen said the tax credit was under review in a speech two weeks ago to the Halifax Chamber of Commerce.

In her speech, Whalen said the tax credit costs taxpayers \$24 million per year and pays up to 65 per cent of eligible salaries for film and TV projects.

"By contrast, our payroll rebates for other industries are eight to 10 per cent of eligible salaries, at most," she said.

Whalen said Tuesday her de-

partment is double-checking its analysis of the credit.

A recent online video by the Trailer Park Boys asking the government to preserve the tax credit has garnered more than 525,000 views on their Facebook page and drawn the attention of Snoop Dogg and Axl Rose.

Screen Nova Scotia has also taken up the cause, saying about 2,000 people work in an industry that pumps roughly \$139 million into the province's economy each year. THE CANADIAN PRESS

PORT HAWKESBURY

Boy who died in fire honoured by his favourite NHL team

A family friend of a boy who died following a Port Hawkesbury house fire said the nine-year-old was to be honoured on Tuesday night by his favourite National Hockey League team.

Family friend Brian McCarthy said the New Jersey Devils would pay tribute to Port Hawkesbury's Oaklee Bagley, who passed away Monday from injuries sustained during a Friday house fire that also left his mother, Amanda, hospitalized.

He said the tribute was to be made prior to the Devils' home game Tuesday against the New York Rangers.

McCarthy made the initial call to the NHL organization.

"I know Amanda's Facebook page is all about the New Jersey Devils and there are pictures of Oaklee in a Devils jersey," said



Oaklee Bagley, seen here sporting his New Jersey Devils jersey. FACEBOOK

McCarthy, who sent multiple messages to the team through

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This is a tight-knit community and everyone is doing what they can.

Brian McCarthy, family friend

various social media avenues. "The class act here is the New Jersey Devils — they're the ones coming to the goal-creeper for us."

McCarthy said the Port Hawkesbury area community is also rallying around the family.

"She was a wonderful mother, she loved Oaklee so much — this is a tight-knit community and everybody is doing what they can," he said.

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IN BRIEF

Halifax Regional Police charge 3 after drug search

A man and two women face charges after a drug search last week in Dartmouth, according to a police release.

The release, from Halifax Regional Police, states officers carried out a search warrant at an apartment on Pinecrest Drive and seized cocaine and cash.

Megan Anstey, 23, is facing charges of possession of drugs for the purpose of trafficking and breach of probation.

She's scheduled to appear in provincial court on Wednesday.

Alisha Chaisson, 26, and Anthony Beals, 40, were also charged with possession of drugs for the purpose of trafficking.

They will appear in provincial court in May. METRO

Senior citizen charged with possession of child porn

A 71-year-old Nova Scotia man faces child pornography charges following a recent police search of a home in Chester.

RCMP say investigators with the Internet Child Exploitation Unit along with members of the Lunenburg County District RCMP and the

Nova Scotia RCMP Technological Crime Unit, executed a search warrant on a residence on Tremont Street in Chester on April 1, around 7:30 a.m.

A preliminary investigation of devices at the home determined they contained images of child porn, police say.

George Nemeskeri is facing charges of possession of child pornography and making available child pornography.

He was released from police custody on conditions and is scheduled to appear in Bridgewater provincial court on Oct. 7. METRO

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CRIME

Police seek suspect in pair of bag thefts

Police are asking for the public's help in identifying a woman being connected to two recent thefts from a Clayton Park pharmacy.

Halifax Regional Police say that on March 4 and 6, officers responded to reports of a woman shoplifting at the Rockingham Ridge Pharmacy on Farnham Gate Road.

Police say that in both cases the woman took Lug-brand bags from the store without paying for them.

Only a limited description of the woman is available, though images from surveillance videos have been released. Anyone with information is asked to call Halifax Regional Police or Crime Stoppers. METRO



Surveillance images show the woman police say is responsible for the robberies. CONTRIBUTED

IN BRIEF

Man stabbed during fight on Spring Garden Road

A 20-year-old Halifax man is facing charges after a stabbing on Tuesday night. Authorities were called just before 7 p.m. over a fight that broke out in the 5500 block of Spring Garden Road. Police say the suspect fled with witnesses in pursuit and was arrested shortly afterward. Police say they recovered the weapon nearby. The victim, a 27-year-old man, suffered non-life-threatening injuries. PHILIP CROUCHER/METRO

Traffic headaches coming to Lower Water Street

For the next two weeks, drivers in downtown Halifax should expect traffic headaches as a new sewer line is installed.

According to a city release issued Tuesday, traffic-control measures have been put in place on Lower Water Street at the intersection of Duke Street for the installation of a new underground sanitary line for the Halifax Ferry Terminal and the provincial Law Courts buildings. METRO



A toddler was briefly taken from her mother on Monday, at this Walmart parking lot in Bayers Lake. JEFF HARPER/METRO

Man rips child from mom's arms: Police

MANHUNT

Officers seek stranger in order to learn his motives



Ruth Davenport
Metro | Halifax

Halifax Regional Police are looking for a man who reportedly snatched a toddler from her mother's arms and started to walk away with the child in a Bayers Lake parking lot.

Police say that around 1 p.m. Monday, a woman with two young children and a friend were walking toward their vehicle in the parking lot of the Walmart at 220 Chain Lake Dr.

A man approached the group, offering to help the woman with her 20-month-old daughter, who was in her arms. A police spokesman said the woman refused, but the man took the child anyway.

"The individual, after being told, 'No, we don't need help,' grabbed the child and then started walking away," said Const. Pierre Bourdages.

The woman's friend ran after the man and retrieved the child.

The man then drove away.

Bourdages said the incident isn't being considered an attempted abduction and said investigators are looking for witnesses or the man himself.

"Until we locate the individual and figure out exactly what he was trying to do, it's going to be very hard to determine exactly what we're dealing with," said Bourdages.

The man is described as white, in his 40s, about five-foot-10 with a medium build and scruffy beard. He was seen leaving in a red four-door sedan.

The incident wasn't reported to police until a few hours later.

+ REPORT

Anyone with information about the incident or the man is asked to contact police at 902-490-5016 or Crime Stoppers.

Bourdages urges parents to call police immediately if someone tries to take their children.

"This becomes what we call a Priority 1 call, where officers that are in the area will drop lower priority calls to make sure they focus on this as fast as possible," said Bourdages.

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EXPENSE SCANDAL

Trial starts for suspended senator Mike Duffy

Attending a friend's funeral; taking a shopping trip to buy a puppy; making sure he was on hand for the birth of his grandchild:

There was nothing wrong with Mike Duffy doing any of those things — except for one major problem, the crown argued Tuesday during the opening act of the year's most eagerly awaited political legal drama.

"He bills it back to the Senate," deputy Crown attorney Mark Holmes said as he kicked off the case against Duffy, the television personality-turned-Conservative-senator whose disputed expense claims have rocked the government.

The suspended senator, who faces 31 counts of fraud, breach of trust and bribery,



Suspended senator Mike Duffy enters a car on Tuesday as he leaves the first day of his trial in Ottawa. SEAN KILPATRICK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

delivered his plea after the court clerk read the charges into the record.

"I am not guilty, Your Honour," Duffy, clad in a dark suit adorned with a white pocket square, told Ontario Justice Charles Vaillancourt in a clear, steady voice.

Over the course of 40 minutes, Holmes laid out why the prosecution believes Duffy is, in fact, guilty of defrauding the public purse by deliberately manipulating the financial policies of the Senate in order to charge taxpayers for personal business, or else simply hiding his

activities from Senate scrutiny.

"There is something more fundamental at play and I think it can be reduced to two propositions," Holmes said. "One, you can't steal from your employer; and two, you can't abuse your position of authority to unjustly enrich yourself."

The Crown intends to prove, Holmes said, that in a number of instances where Duffy filed expenses on the grounds he was conducting Senate business, he was actually on a trip for personal reasons. Those travel expenses were just one of four different chapters of charges laid out by the Crown.

Holmes also laid out the Crown's case with regard to \$82,000 worth of living expenses Duffy filed for a secondary residence in the national capital region, the issue that first sparked the Senate scandal back in late 2012.

Duffy declared in Senate paper-

+ TRIAL

Duffy's trial is currently scheduled to last more than 40 days.

work that his primary residence was in Prince Edward Island, the province for which he was appointed to serve by Prime Minister Stephen Harper.

The problem with that, Holmes said, is that Duffy didn't really live in P.E.I. — at least not by any "common-sense" interpretation of what "primary residence" means. Instead, Duffy lived in the same home in Kanata, Ont., outside Ottawa, that he and his wife had owned for five years prior to his appointment.

Duffy's lawyer Donald Bayne did his best to refute Holmes, saying any notion of "common sense" has no application when it comes to interpreting the Sen-

ate's rules and statutes — none of which his client violated.

The trial will provide Duffy a chance to clear his name, but there is more at stake than his reputation. While police investigators have raised questions about the former broadcaster's living and travel expense claims while he was a sitting senator, the credibility of the Conservative Party of Canada and some key players in the Prime Minister's Office is also likely to be dragged into the spotlight.

At the centre of the bribery allegation is Nigel Wright, Prime Minister Stephen Harper's former chief of staff. Wright resigned after a media report revealed he provided a \$90,000 cheque used to repay the living expenses that Duffy had claimed since being appointed by Harper.

However, the Mounties have said there was no evidence to support criminal charges against Wright. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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I have no knowledge of these things. I will not be called as a witness.

PM Stephen Harper

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One, you can't steal from your employer; and two, you can't abuse your position of authority to unjustly enrich yourself.

Deputy Crown attorney Mark Holmes

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We have offered the Crown every possible assistance in their case against Mr. Duffy.

Prime Minister Harper

“

Sen. Duffy is probably ineligible to sit in the Senate as a representative of Prince Edward Island.

Mark Holmes

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What does that mean to the average Canadian? They don't really care? Are we that complacent?

Fred Trembinski, from Timmins, Ont., after emerging from half-empty room for spectators

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DROUGHT

Californians water hogs in February

California's water board said Tuesday that February was the worst month for conservation since officials began tracking savings efforts nine months ago in response to the state's historic drought.

Figures reported by local water departments showed statewide reductions of just three per cent in February compared with baseline numbers, despite following the driest January on California record.

The dismal savings come as cities brace for mandatory water restrictions.

These are "obviously very sobering times and ones where everyone needs to step up," said Felicia Marcus, chairwoman of the State Water Resources Control Board.

Conservation varied widely across the state. The report

showed water use increasing two per cent along the south coastline, which includes Los Angeles and San Diego. San Francisco Bay Area communities, meanwhile, cut back by eight per cent.

The figures support Gov. Jerry Brown's position that voluntary water cutbacks haven't been enough as dry conditions worsen. Brown signed an order last week demanding a 25 per cent drop in statewide urban water use compared to 2013, the year before he declared a drought emergency.

The State Water Resources Control Board also began discussing Tuesday how to enforce new mandatory reductions, fast-tracking regulations that will likely come up for a vote next month. The requirements are likely to include cutback targets based on how much water city residents use. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

YEMEN

Saudi-led airstrikes target military site

Saudi-led coalition jets bombed a military installation in southern Yemen on Tuesday as local tribes battled Shiite rebels and their allies in the area, seizing a makeshift camp and weapons, Yemeni military officials said.

The fighting in southern Ibb province came as the UN children's welfare agency warned that more than 100,000 people have fled their homes in different provinces in Yemen seeking safety from the violence. According to UNICEF, at least 74 children have also been killed since the fighting between Yemeni rivals intensified and the coalition airstrike campaign began two weeks ago.

A medical volunteer in the Maytam district in Ibb said the airstrike on a Republican

Guards' camp wounded at least 25 troops. The Guards' unit is loyal to ousted President Ali Abdullah Saleh who is allied with the Shiite rebels in their power grab in Yemen.

Residents say the camp was close to a school. The rebel television station, al-Masirah, said three children were killed in the airstrike. The medical volunteer, who spoke on condition of anonymity for fear of reprisals, could not confirm the children's deaths.

About 50 kilometres south of the camp, local tribes battled with Houthis who had set up a makeshift camp in the area, driving the rebels away and seizing their weapons, a local resident said, also speaking on condition of anonymity. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Members of the Secret Service stand on Pennsylvania Avenue outside the White House in Washington, Tuesday. The White House, State Department and Capitol buildings were all affected Tuesday by power outages in Washington and its suburbs.

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Power-plant problem causes outages in D.C.

WHITE HOUSE

Terrorism not suspected

Problems at a Maryland electrical station caused widespread power outages across the nation's capital Tuesday, affecting the White House, the Capitol, museums, train stations and other sites.

Many of the outages were brief, but some were longer and forced evacuations. Officials said a mechanical failure at a transfer station led to the outages, and terrorism was not suspected. Tens of thousands of

customers lost power.

At the White House, the interruption lasted only a few seconds before backup generators kicked in. The complex quickly went back onto regular power. Electricity in the press briefing room dipped around lunchtime, briefly darkening cubicles and blackening TV screens.

White House spokesman Josh Earnest said he was with President Barack Obama in the Oval Office when the power blip occurred, and they didn't notice anything unusual.

Power also went out at the State Department during the daily media briefing, forcing

spokeswoman Marie Harf to finish her comments in the dark.

Power in the U.S. Capitol building twice shut down briefly, and then came back on by way of a generator.

The mechanical failure occurred shortly before 1 p.m. at a transfer station some 56 kilometres southeast of Washington in Charles County, Maryland, that is controlled by utilities serving Washington and southern Maryland. Homeland security officials in Washington and Maryland said there was an explosion at the station, although the two utilities, Pepco and the Southern Maryland Electric Cooperative, could not

confirm immediately that there was a blast or fire. No one was injured, the utilities said.

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IN BRIEF

Some traffic lights were out, and Metro said 14 of 91 public transit stations were affected. Some Smithsonian museums also lost power, were evacuated and closed to the public, including the popular National Air and Space Museum and the National Portrait Gallery.

IN BRIEF

Jurors begin deliberating charges against Boston Marathon bomber

Jurors in the federal death-penalty trial of Boston Marathon bomber Dzhokhar Tsarnaev began deliberations Tuesday, a day after both prosecutors and his lawyers told them Tsarnaev must be held accountable for participating in the terror attack.

Deliberations in the guilt phase began almost two years after twin bombs exploded near the marathon's finish line on April 15, 2013, killing three people and wounding more than 260.

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Kansas governor signs nation's first abortion ban

Republican Gov. Sam Brownback has signed legislation making Kansas the first state to ban a common second-trimester abortion procedure that critics describe as dismembering a fetus.

Brownback signed the measure Tuesday.

The new law, which takes effect July 1, bans the dilation and evacuation procedure. The law redefines the method as "dismemberment abortion."

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NUCLEAR DEAL

Obama: Iran could build nuke after 13 years

Iran could have the capabilities to build a nuclear bomb almost immediately after the first 13 years of the emerging nuclear deal, President Barack Obama acknowledged on Tuesday. The Republican leader of the U.S. House reacted tersely, arguing that Obama had just confirmed what critics of the deal have long feared.

Under the framework for a final deal, Iran would be kept at least a year away from a bomb for the first decade, Obama said, as he pressed ahead in his campaign to sell

the deal to skeptics. Pushing back on criticism that the deal allows Iran to keep enriching uranium, Obama told NPR News that enrichment isn't the prime concern because Iran will be capped for a decade at 300 kilograms — not enough to convert to a stockpile of weapons-grade material.

"What is a more relevant fear would be that in Year 13, 14, 15, they have advanced centrifuges that enrich uranium fairly rapidly, and at that point, the breakout times would have shrunk almost down to zero,"

Obama said.

Breakout time refers to how long it would take to build a bomb if Iran decided to pursue one full-bore — in other words, how long the rest of the world would have to stop it. The framework deal expands Iran's breakout time — currently two to three months — to at least a year.

Yet that constraint would stay in place only for 10 years, at which point some restrictions would start phasing out.

House Speaker John Boehner said Tehran was taking

the long view and cautioned that the Iranian regime could exploit the easing of restrictions to fulfil its ambitions of exporting revolution across the globe.

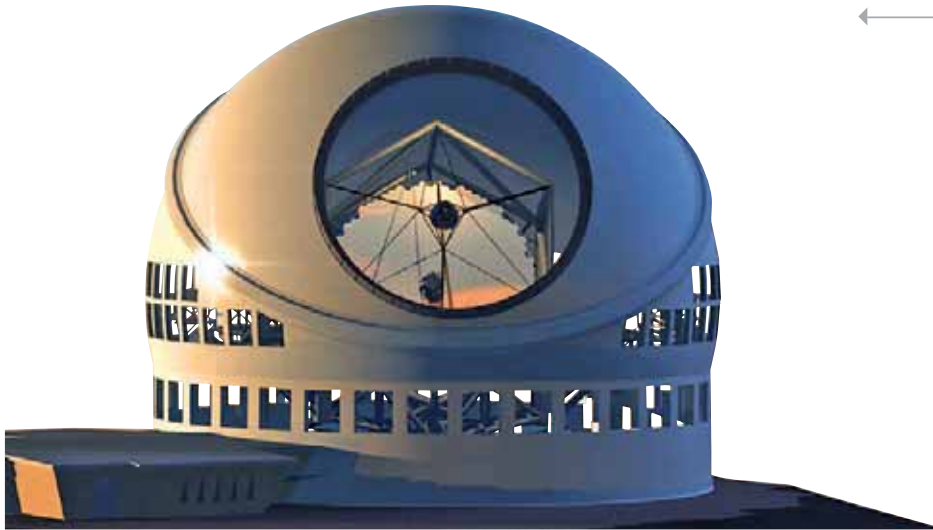
"It is clear that this 'deal' is a direct threat to peace and security of the region and the world," Boehner said. Considering Iran's history of evading international inspections, he added, "no one should believe that the proposed inspection and verification are bullet-proof."

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THE BIG THING: THE \$1.5 BILLION TELESCOPE

Canadian companies will play a significant role in constructing what's billed as the most powerful optical telescope on Earth. Prime Minister Stephen Harper says Canada will provide up to \$243.5 million over 10 years for the Thirty Meter Telescope project, scheduled to be ready in about 2023. THE CANADIAN PRESS



1. Can Con

When completed, the Thirty Meter Telescope will be in an observatory inside a Canadian-built enclosure 22 storeys tall with a primary mirror 30 metres across. While the telescope will be located at the summit of Hawaii's Mauna Kea volcano, Harper said most of Canada's contribution will be spent in this country.

2. Teammates

Japan, China, India and the United States are also part of the project. Harper said by contributing to the project, Canada will secure a viewing share for Canadian researchers once the telescope is operational.

3. Looking into the past

Researchers hope to use the telescope to look at planets outside of our solar system and watch new stars form. The telescope should be able see 13 billion light years away, allowing scientists to catch sight of the universe's early years.

4. The competition

The Thirty Meter Telescope probably won't be the biggest for long. The aptly named European Extremely Large Telescope, which a group of European countries are planning to build, will have a mirror that is 39 metres in diameter.

Canada needs to get ready for climate-change refugees

THE SCIENCE

Stephanie Orford



What happens when the most crowded places in the world are displaced by climate change?

Canada could become a refuge for those fleeing their homes in search of greener pastures. What can we do? Be ready for an influx of climate refugees.

The world's first official climate refugee is now making his case against deportation from New Zealand to his former home on the Central Pacific atolls of Kiribati, where climate change is wreaking havoc, threatening to put the country underwater. There will be many more climate refugees to come.

Jerry Brown, the governor of California, ordered a state-wide 25 per cent reduction in water consumption on April 1.

As water levels fall in the state for the fourth straight year in rivers, streams and reservoirs, water becomes scarcer for industrial processes, farming and drinking for California's population of 38 million.

What's happening in California reflects the impacts of climate change on environments, economies and societies around the world.

Rising sea levels alone are projected to displace potentially millions of people.

The island of Tuvalu is forecast to be swallowed up by the South Pacific by the end of this century. The Maldives and other low-lying archipelagos face a similar fate.

According to a report by

the Internal Displacement Monitoring Centre, natural disasters displaced 22 million people in 2013 and the International Organization for Migration estimates 200 million will be displaced worldwide by 2050. The countries that will be most affected are those that suffer from poverty and conflict, according to Refugees International.

Where are their residents going to go? Canada may be one attractive option.

Partly because our government is better equipped to respond to natural disasters, and partly because Canada's temperate climate gives us a greater buffer against extreme temperatures compared to equatorial climes, Canada may be hit less fiercely than developing countries by climate change. Last November, the Canadian Centre for Policy Al-

ternatives proposed a new "climate migrants" immigration class to help Canada navigate the coming influx.

Canadian cities need to find ways of becoming denser while maintaining high quality of life for residents, including water and air quality, green space and public transportation.

Let's do Canadians of the future a favour and create a climate refugee strategy now. We must look ahead to the big picture rather than simply react to each wave of refugees climate change brings across the border.

Putting the policies in place to become a responsible climate refuge is one sea change we need to make.

Stephanie Orford is a Vancouver-based writer. The Science appears every other Wednesday.

ROSEMARY WESTWOOD

metroview

It can feel good to ridicule, but the hurt we cause is real

Mike Duffy, Kim and Kanye, new Daily Show host Trevor Noah: We're never short of targets for public ridicule.

I've jeered at Rob Ford on Facebook, and I follow his parody Twitter account.

That only makes me human. And humanly cruel.

"It feels good, for some reason, for too many people, to be mean," Tracy Vaillancourt tells me. She's a leading anti-bullying researcher and Canada Research Chair in children's mental health and violence prevention at the University of Ottawa.

Some anthropologists say bullying is biological. Other research suggests we rationalize our meanness by downplaying the impact and our own role, or that we blame the victim or dehumanize them.

It's a twisted little pleasure that seems victimless, but we forget that on the other side of cruelty there are people like Dr. Fredric Brandt.

The so-called Baron of Botox, dermatologist to the rich and famous, committed suicide in Miami on the weekend, after reportedly suffering from depression.

Media quickly reported that Brandt had been upset by Martin Short's flamboyant portrayal of a dermatologist on the Netflix show Unbreakable Kimmy Schmidt — which bore resemblance to the uniquely featured Brandt.

His publicist Jacquie

Tractenberg told the Miami Herald that he did not commit suicide because of the show, but "the show didn't help. It was mean. He felt bullied. It was mean-spirited picking at the way he looked for no reason at all."

Brandt's face was one of his own creations. A New York Times profile describes his face as so sleekly manufactured it appeared "a mask of serene immobility" and so pale it had a "lunar aspect."

His story reminds me of the ridicule of Joan Rivers. Except, while she lived in the spotlight, he helped others to look better under it. He became famous incidentally.

Does that make it OK to laugh, literally, at his face? Was it okay with Joan Rivers?

In Monica Lewinsky's recent phoenix-like return to the public eye, she's underlined how the media and public diminished her into a power-hungry slut. "It was easy to forget," she said during her TED Talk, "that 'that woman' was dimensional, had a soul, and was once unbroken."

"There's this saying: 'Is cruelty committed by the cruel at heart?' I don't think that's the case," Vaillancourt told me.

So it's not that we're bad people, but we are behaving badly, and, it would seem, feeling good doing it.

Let's just not pretend that no one's getting hurt.

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Matcha mania is in full swing

GREEN INVASION

The finely ground tea is finding its way into all kinds of Western cuisine

More than a thousand years ago, Buddhist monks in Japan began a daily ritual of grinding green tea leaves into powder, mixing it into hot water with a bamboo whisk, then sharing the tea from a single cup.

Today in North America, matcha is considerably less monastic. The finely ground green tea is experiencing a North American renaissance, with specialty matcha tea bars popping up from coast to coast and industry giants like specialty tea retailer Teavana adding it to their product lineup. Chefs are mixing matcha with grains, using it in toppings for Bundt cakes, and mixing it into cocktails, adding a punch of opulent green colour along with a cool, mellow taste to playful culinary combinations.

Industry leaders hope matcha one day will become a staple in the American kitchen the same way soy sauce did after the Second World War. They also hope the tea's long and rich



Matcha has 10 times the amount of antioxidants as regularly-brewed green tea. ISTOCK

culinary history doesn't get dissolved in the process.

"Ideally, people will learn how to prepare tea as well, not just drink it," said Kazumi Nishiguchi, a director at the Chamber of Kyoto Prefecture

Tea Public Interest Incorporated Association. "We need to export the culture, too. And it's important that it be done right."

Matcha was first consumed during China's Tsang dynasty and later was brought to Japan

by priests and monks. After a bloody war with the Mongols, tea ceremonies in China came to a halt but continued to flourish across the East China Sea in Japan. The Japanese developed intricate tea ceremonies com-



BACKGROUND

Matcha's evolution

The uptick in demand for matcha is having a spillover effect in Japan, where production of tencha, the raw green leaves that are ground into the powder known as matcha, has doubled in Kyoto prefecture during the last 10 years, rising from 564 tons in 2003 to more than 1,163 tons in 2013. Though the leaves were once picked by hand, technology has paved the way for mass production. Specialized machines pluck the top leaves from tea shrubs and remove the veins and stems before the remnants are ground with granite stone and sealed in tin cans.



GETTY IMAGES

binning prayer and meditation and perfected the process for making matcha: Tea plants were covered with a shade cloth two to four weeks before harvest, when the leaves contain the most chlorophyll and nutrients, then plucked. Monks praised matcha for its calming effect.

Now more is known about the science behind matcha. Growing tea leaves in the shade boosts their amino acids, and because the entire leaf is consumed, matcha also contains about 10 times as many antioxidants as regularly brewed green tea. It also gives an energy kick, but with less caffeine than coffee.

Matcha likely first entered the

North American market through Japanese grocery stores in cities like Los Angeles, which has one of the largest Japanese populations outside Japan.

Some of the biggest matcha producers are reporting big U.S. sales growth. DoMatcha, sold at Whole Foods and specialty stores, has seen an annual spike in sales of 30 per cent, while Ippodo has seen growth of 20 to 25 per cent in recent years and opened its first brick-and-mortar store outside Japan in New York City in 2013. Chains like Starbucks now offer green tea lattes with matcha, and Teavana sells a bamboo whisking set.

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Theresa Albert
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If there isn't a jar of kimchee in your fridge, you are missing out on health and heat. This condiment hits all the high notes on its climb to the top of the foodie lists.

Fermented foods enhance healthy gut bacteria, spicy foods boost your metabolism, and garlic boasts potent antibacterial, antifungal properties. Kimchee is an ancient combo of cabbage, vinegar, garlic and hot peppers that is traditionally sealed and buried in the ground to ferment, though now you can just go to the grocery store to buy jars of it. Whew!

Think of it as part pickle, part ketchup, part recipe ingredient.

Here is how to use it:

- Stir into scrambled eggs
- Spoon into grilled cheese
- Use to top frozen pizza
- Stir into a boring soup to jazz it up
- Scare away vampires with the garlic breath
- Use on burgers or hot-dogs
- Scoop into a blender with Greek yogurt for a dip or spread in place of mayo

Warning: If you have a job interview tomorrow, don't make today the day you try. One of three things could happen: the cabbage could give you rumble tummy, the garlic could make you repellent or the spice could get you in the end. But it is delicious! Really! Theresa Albert is an on-camera food and health expert, nutritionist and writer.



Like many fermented foods, kimchee is full of healthy properties. ISTOCK

MasterChefs awaken the rebel and demon within

R&D RESTAURANT

Alvin Leung and newcomer Eric Chong collaborate on new venture

MasterChef Canada judge Alvin Leung knew the reality show's Season 1 winner Eric Chong had enough culinary talent to make it in the restaurant business, but he wasn't sure about his work ethic.

So Leung put him to the test in Asia.

"I wanted to see whether or not he was hardworking, whether or not he had the drive, the hunger," said Leung, a Michelin-starred chef with restaurants in Hong Kong and London.

"In working with him for a couple of weeks (in Hong Kong) I found out he had."

Leung, 54, was convinced enough to go into business with Chong, 23, and the two opened the doors to R&D Restaurant on Tuesday in Toronto's Chinatown.

The name is a nod to Chong and Leung's "rebel and demon" personas and refers to their engineering backgrounds, referencing the term "research and development."

Leung is nicknamed the Demon Chef, and has invented his own cuisine he calls X-Treme Chinese.

"Well, you know, Eric, he's a rebel himself," said Leung, who holds three Michelin stars at Bo Innovation in Hong Kong and one Michelin star at Bo London. "The family was very against him doing cooking. He has a degree in engineering. I have a degree in engineering. It wasn't meant for him to follow this path. He went against his family wishes. Now I think his family is over the moon. He won (MasterChef Canada). And he's doing something he likes to do."

Large murals in the dining space feature Chinese-inspired street art and their menu is a trib-

ute to Canada's cultural mix. Chong will work as a sous chef under executive chef Nelson Tsai.

"Eric is young. He has to earn," said Leung, who was raised in Toronto.

"You really need to earn your stars or earn your stripes and he has to do that. So he's not going in as executive chef. He hasn't earned it yet. But he will. Eventually he will."

"We both grew up in Canada," said Leung. "Eric grew up in a much different era. I grew up when the Leafs were winning. He grew up when the Leafs were losing and I'm sure (when he has) his children, the Leafs

will still be losing.

"There are dishes there, like chop suey, he doesn't know of because that was more my era, but chicken and waffle, which I know nothing about. So he has his input, I have my input."

Chong, who packed in his engineering job to practise for MasterChef Canada once he knew he'd made it into the top 50 contenders, said those skills help him with cooking.

"Being an engineer helps you think logically and efficiently and that always helps me in the kitchen, helps me plan out my steps, work efficiently, work fast and it helped us create the menu."

"We always thought of the logistics before actually coming up with a dish," Chong said, adding he and Leung broke down the recipes for each dish to the gram and made detailed notes on steps and equipment so that all chefs in the restaurant will be able to recreate each dish exactly.

Being on MasterChef Canada "was definitely the most beneficial thing I've ever done in my life. It got me to where I am now," he added.

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Eric Chong, Alvin Leung and Nelson Tsai. CINDY LA/THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Charlie Cox dares to be different



Charlie Cox and Rosario Dawson star in Netflix's *Daredevil*. BARRY WETCHER/NETFLIX

NEW SERIES

Netflix puts a gritty spin on iconic character *Daredevil*

Lisa Weidenfeld
Metro | New York

If your only exposure to the *Daredevil* comic book character is the much-maligned Ben Affleck movie, get ready for a change: Netflix's new *Daredevil* series, premiering Friday, is bringing a new look to the character.

As played by Brit Charlie Cox, the character doesn't yet have his trademark horned outfit, and is something of a gritty street fighter. We checked in with Cox about what it's like taking on an iconic character and if he can actually see through that hood.

What do you think sets *Daredevil* apart from other superheroes?

The great thing about the *Daredevil* character is that he doesn't have any superpowers

so they ground him in reality. One thing that I found quite enjoyable about playing this character is if he gets hit, he bleeds, if he gets cut, he bleeds, and he doesn't have unbreakable skin, or there isn't any ambiguity about whether you can kill him or not. If you shoot him, he dies, you know? And he's learned to live with this secret, which marks itself as a disability, but it isn't actually a hindrance. He's able to access it and use it in a way so that he can operate better than a seeing person.

How good is the visibility in the hood they have you wear?

It depends — you know, in broad daylight it's pretty good, you can see almost everything through it. Obviously a lot of the occupational hazard of a hooded superhero is that you go out at nighttime (laughs). So the visibility isn't quite as good, but you adapt to it.

Will we see the more iconic *Daredevil* costume this season?

You'll see it in the first season. Unfortunately I can't tell you when, but there will be an evo-

lution from that early costume into something that is more recognizable to the traditional *Daredevil* costume.

And for fans of the comic, which ones did you draw the most inspiration from?

There's a number of series called the Bendis Maleev (Brian Michael Bendis & Alex Maleev) series, and, you know, they did a bunch of stuff in the '90s and the early 2000s and tonally and thematically, they were very in keeping with the scripts that I had read for the first few episodes. They painted a very grey, dark world. The lines between good and evil and right and wrong are very blurry, and we meet a Matt Murdoch and a *Daredevil* who dances on both sides of those lines, so it was very compelling to read and felt very realistic and truthful and gritty, and so those are the ones I focused on the most. But one of the things I was told very early on is that the show is quite heavily influenced by Frank Miller's *Man Without Fear*, so I read all that stuff as well.

INTERVIEW

Vincent D'Onofrio on being the bad guy in *Daredevil*

Every superhero has to have his nemesis, and Marvel's *Daredevil* show on Netflix is no exception. Facing off against Charlie Cox's Matt Murdock is Wilson Fisk, played by Vincent D'Onofrio. D'Onofrio is a veteran of *Law and Order: Criminal Intent*.

How does this show feel different from your experience with network television on *Law and Order*?

I don't think of it as series television. It's completely different. And I knew that. It's funny because it's not that long ago, but you look back on that and it seems prehistoric, that whole approach ... When you do something like this, it's all creative.

Were you very aware of Fisk before you started working on the show?

I knew of Wilson Fisk from *Spiderman*. I knew *Daredevil*'s origin story, but I was never an avid reader of *Daredevil*. I'd never associated Wilson Fisk with *Daredevil* until recently. When I started to do all my homework and read up on the rebooted series and the new series of



Netflix's *Daredevil* isn't afraid to add complexity to the characters. NETFLIX

Daredevil, he was such an important character.

Fisk is kind of an unusual villain, in that we get to see him have a life outside of his criminal career.

And how interesting is that? You get to play this complicat-

ed character who's not black and white, who is falling in love with the woman who's going to be the woman in his life for the rest of his life, and at the same time, he's dealing with all this other stuff that he believes in.

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Luke Doucet, who was born in Halifax, and Melissa McClelland of Whitehorse. GETTY IMAGES

Whitehorse tour is a family affair

NEW ALBUM

Roots rock couple hits the road with their baby on board



Eva Lam
Metro | Toronto

It's been a year of firsts for Toronto duo Whitehorse. Not only did Luke Doucet and Melissa McClelland recruit outside producers for the first time on their new album, *Leave No Bridge Unburned*, but a recent run of U.S. shows also marked the inaugural tour for the husband-and-wife roots rockers' eight-month-old baby, Jimmy.

So how's it shaping up compared to previous tours?

"Less sleep," said McClelland with a laugh on the phone en route from Seattle to Vancouver, where the band had a few days off before launching their Canadian dates on Wednesday.

The pair are veterans of the road, both from their time as solo acts (they met when Doucet worked as a producer on McClelland's 2004 album *Stranded in Suburbia*) and after forming Whitehorse in 2010. The band's live shows are a showcase for Doucet and McClelland's undeniable chemistry, as moments shift from the intimacy of the two singing into a single microphone with just two guitars to a flurry of movement on the stage.

"It's just the two of us — we use a looping pedal and about a million instruments that we're jumping around, switching up guitars, and Luke's on drum kit," says McClelland. "The songs from the record, we really have to kind of re-imagine them, so we're always surprised by which songs we end up loving playing live."

For Whitehorse's second LP, they brought in producer Gus Van Go — whom Doucet met at the 2013 Polaris awards — and his partner Werner F.

McClelland says the way the producers approached the recording of the drums laid the groundwork for the sound of *Leave No Bridge Unburned*.



We're always surprised by which songs we end up loving playing live. Melissa McClelland of Whitehorse

"(They) really had specific arrangements and parts in mind. The first couple of days in studio were intense because they were working really, really hard to get exactly what they wanted," she said. "And then to our relief, after that they took a different approach with our vocals and guitar parts — they wanted those things to be loose and easy and inspired. So I think because they took so much time on the drums, it just immediately created this kind of big sound on the record. And it was really exciting for us to hear and I think it got some good performances out of us for vocals and guitars."

The result is an album that plays on themes of the urban-

suburban divide and adventurous love, from the propulsive Bo Diddley beat of hit radio single *Downtown* to the western twang-meets-'60s blues vibe of *Sweet Disaster*.

"We've been told that our record is almost like a map, that you're kind of travelling through these different places," said McClelland.

"We're so transient. We're always in a place no more than 24 hours before we're moving on to the next place — we spend a lot of time in rural areas and big cities and small towns, and it's really interesting to see the differences between those places, and the similarities. And it's fun

to imagine stories and characters and have those places exist in our minds."

With the latest tour even more of a family affair than usual — Doucet's 18-year-old daughter Chloe is helping out with baby Jimmy — it's opening a new chapter of stories for the band.

"I find it almost makes us appreciate the road a little more," McClelland says. "We're really engaging in our surroundings. When we get to a city, we're not just vegging out in the hotel room — we're actually going for walks and checking things out, saying hello to people. I've really been enjoying seeing the road through Jimmy's eyes."

AUCTION

Don McLean's American Pie manuscript fetches \$1.2M

The original manuscript of Don McLean's enigmatic song *American Pie* sold at auction in New York on Tuesday for \$1.2 million, Christie's said.

The 18 pages of manuscript, written in pencil, ink and type-script on 17 sheets, had been expected to fetch between \$1 and \$1.5 million at the auction house. Christie's said the buyer was anonymous.

McLean, 69, said he wanted to release the manuscript to help people understand the true meaning of the 1971 song, which depicts turbulent upheavals of the latter half of the 20th century.

"It was an indescribable photograph of America that I tried to capture in words and music," he said in February in the Christie's catalogue.

The song was initially inspired by his memories of being a paperboy in 1959 and learning of the death of Buddy Holly, it also represents a changing America from the brightness of the 1950s to darker 1960s.

Its phrase "the day the



Don McLean said he wanted to release the manuscript to help people understand the meaning of the song. AFP FILE

music died" was long known to refer to the 1959 plane crash that killed rock 'n' roll pioneers Buddy Holly, Ritchie Valens and J.P. "Big Bopper" Richardson.

But music enthusiasts have long agonized over the true meaning of all the lyrics in the song's six verses that run to well over eight minutes.

"I would say to young songwriters who are starting out to immerse yourself in beautiful music and beautiful lyrics, and

think about every word you say in a song," McLean said in the Christie's catalogue.

The song was inducted into the Grammy Hall of Fame and named the fifth greatest song of the 20th century by the Recording Industry of America and the National Endowment of the Arts.

The other four were *Over the Rainbow*, *White Christmas*, *This Land is Your Land* by Woody Guthrie and *Respect* by Otis Redding. AFP

SHOW EXIT

Nina Dobrev exiting The Vampire Diaries

Nina Dobrev is leaving *The Vampire Diaries*.

The Toronto-bred actress announced the news on Instagram, saying she always "wanted Elena's story to be a six-season adventure."

Dobrev, whose film credits include *The Perks of Being a*

Wallflower, *Chloe*, *Fugitive Pieces* and *Away From Her*, said she was moving "on to the next chapter" of her life.

While on the show, she earned two Teen Choice Awards for tackling a double role as Elena



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POINTS

- While each trim line moves up successively with standard features, there are also options and option packages available for each.
- The Malibu's brakes use Duralife rotors, which have a special coating that strengthens them and makes them less prone to corrosion.



NOTABLE FEATURES

- Available lane departure warning, cross-traffic alert, Wi-Fi hot spot capability, blind spot monitoring system, rearview camera, leather upholstery, premium stereo, and navigation system.

MARKET POSITION

- The Malibu gained a reputation as a rental and fleet vehicle that slid it off the radar with many consumers. A complete redesign in 2013 marked a considerable improvement, while the upcoming 2016 is expected to be roomier and lighter.

THE COMPETITION



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 Refreshed 2016 is on the market, with choice of manual or automatic transmission.

REVIEW

The Chevrolet Malibu is a solid commuter car with a few extras

Jill McIntosh
 For Metro

While it isn't the most stylish in the midsize-sedan market, the Chevrolet Malibu may surprise you with a far better driving performance than you might expect.

An all-new, next-generation version will be coming out for 2016, but I was impressed overall with my 2015 tester.

Two engines are available, starting with a 2.5-litre four-cylinder that's standard in all trim levels.

You can also opt for a turbocharged 2.0-litre four-cylinder engine in the two upper trim levels, which is how my top-line LTZ tester was equipped. Mine was also further optioned with in-dash navigation.

The differences in the two engines aren't just in their horsepower, but also in a start-stop system that's included with the 2.5-litre — but not the turbo engine.

This technology shuts off the engine at idle, such as when you're stopped at a light, to save fuel and cut down on emissions.

The lights, climate control and other features continue to operate, and the engine automatically restarts instantly once you take your foot off the brake.

The 2.0-litre turbo is quick, strong and smooth, and mated exclusively to a six-speed automatic transmission.

The Malibu also handles well, with just the right weight to the steering and a nimble but confident feel.

It's a good everyday commuter car, but it's also fun to drive if you get the chance to push it a little.

That said, the small exterior mirrors don't give you the best visibility, nor does the sharply raked rear window that doesn't provide for much of a view out the back.

The handsome interior uses GM's "twin-cockpit" design, and features simple controls.

There are some small cubbies in the centre console, but for more secure storage, the centre touch screen flips up to reveal a hidden compartment.

Rear-seat passengers enjoy a great deal of legroom, and while you'll have to reach over that tall bumper to stow cargo, the trunk is huge.

The styling is ho-hum, but look below the skin: If you haven't considered the Malibu in this segment, take it for a test drive.

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QMJHL PLAYOFFS

Great Dane has Herd through with winner in Shawinigan



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Nikolaj Ehlers is officially an overtime hero.

The star import forward let off a quick snapshot with just three minutes to go in overtime Tuesday night to lead the Halifax Mooseheads to a 3-2 road win over the Shawinigan Cataractes in Game 7 of the first-round QMJHL playoff series.

It was a hard-fought victory, part of an intense series that head coach Dominique Ducharme called "a battle" from the first puck drop to that final goal from Ehlers.

Tuesday night's big win moves the Mooseheads into the second round where they'll face the Moncton Wildcats.

"That series needed to end in overtime," Ducharme said. "It was such ... a tight series."

With 4,031 fans watching inside the Gervais Auto Centre, momentum started off in favour of the Cataractes. It only took a minute into the game for forward Dennis Yan to put Shawinigan up 1-0 by banging a rebound past Halifax goalie Eric Brassard.

But the Mooseheads were almost as quick to answer, with forward Maxime Fortier firing a



Nikolaj Ehlers and the Halifax Mooseheads celebrate their 3-2 overtime Game 7 win Tuesday night over the Shawinigan Cataractes. SAMUEL DURANCEAU/TC MEDIA

shot past Cataractes netminder Marvin Cupper just two minutes later.

Following a scoreless middle frame, Olivier Caouette tipped a puck past Brassard early in the third period to regain the one-goal lead for Shawinigan.

As time started to tick down, the game got increasingly tense, especially after officials called Ehlers for cross-checking with

just over four minutes left in regulation.

But that's all the frustration Ehlers would allow.

As soon as he stepped out of the box, the Winnipeg Jets draft pick grabbed the puck, threw it in the direction of the net, and with just 3:01 left in regulation, Philippe Gadoury re-directed it over the goal-line to tie the game.

"We had a big kill during his minor penalty, and I think he wanted to get one back for the guys," Ducharme said of Ehlers. "He made a good play on the tying goal."

"From there, he was just unstoppable," he said.

On that OT game-winner, Ehlers skated over the blue-line and let a shot go from the right face-off circle, the puck found its

way past Cupper, and the Halifax bench erupted in ecstatic cheers.

Ehlers skated to centre ice as he was mobbed by his Herd teammates.

Ducharme said. "It was a great collective game. You don't win that kind of game with one guy."

The Mooseheads were ranked 12th going into the QMJHL playoffs, while Shawinigan was at No. 5.

CURLING

Mixed event N.S. bound

Elite-level curling is "hurrying hard" back to Nova Scotia.

Following the world men's championship last week in Halifax, Curling Canada announced Tuesday another big event coming to this Maritime province.

The 2017 Canadian Mixed Curling Championship will come to Yarmouth in November 2016.

It marks the first time Yarmouth has hosted a Curling Canada championship, but it will be the third time the Canadian mixed event, has been staged in Nova Scotia. METRO

NBL

Rainmen forced to be patient

The Halifax Rainmen are still waiting for their final opponent to be determined.

The defending National Basketball League of Canada champions Windsor Express forced a Game 6, beating the Brampton A's 123-112 Tuesday night.

That puts the Central Division series at 3-2 for Brampton, with the next matchup set for Friday night in Orangeville, Ont.

A seventh and final game would take place Sunday night back in Windsor. METRO



The Senators' mob Mark Stone after the rookie's OT winner against the Penguins on Tuesday. JUSTIN TANG/THE CANADIAN PRESS

NHL

Thrills keep coming in Sens' playoff push

Mark Stone scored the winner 2:43 into overtime as the Ottawa Senators scored four unanswered goals to beat the Pittsburgh Penguins 4-3 Tuesday night and keep their playoff hopes alive.

Stone also scored a third-period goal, while Jean-Gabriel Pageau and Mike Hoffman had the others for the Senators (40-26-13) in their final home game. Andrew Hammond, who is 18-1-2, made 25 saves.

Sidney Crosby and Patric Hornqvist had a goal and an assist each for the Penguins

(42-26-11), while Beau Bennett scored his first in 31 games. Marc-Andre Fleury turned away 40 of 44 shots.

The Senators, with 95 points, moved into a tie with the idle Boston Bruins, who hold the final wild-card spot in the Eastern Conference. Boston has a game in hand and the tiebreaker between the two teams with more regulation plus overtime wins. Ottawa trails the Penguins, who hold the first wild-card spot, by just one point.

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+ MORE SCORES

Jets 1, Blues 0

Ondrej Pavelec stopped 30 shots for his second consecutive shutout and the Winnipeg Jets strengthened their bid for a Western Conference playoff spot with a victory over the Central-leading St. Louis Blues.

Rangers 4, Devils 2

Kevin Hayes and Ryan McDonagh scored 47 seconds apart in the first period and the New York Rangers defeated the New Jersey Devils to win the President's Trophy for the best regular-season record for the third time in

franchise history.

Red Wings 3, Hurricanes 2

Gustav Nyquist and Pavel Datsyuk scored in the third period, and the Detroit Red Wings rallied past the Carolina Hurricanes 3-2 on Tuesday night, taking a big step toward their 24th consecutive playoff berth.

Detroit could have clinched a post-season berth with the win over Carolina if Pittsburgh had beaten Ottawa in regulation, but the Penguins couldn't do that.

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LLYOD MURDER TRIAL

Lawyer: Hernandez was at killing scene

Jurors began deliberating Tuesday in the murder trial of former New England Patriots player Aaron Hernandez after his lawyer acknowledged for the first time that his client was at the scene of the killing and saw it happen but described him as a kid who simply did not know what to do.

The defence urged jurors to find Hernandez not guilty of murder. "Did he make all the right decisions? No," lawyer James Sultan said during his closing arguments. "He was a 23-year-old kid who witnessed something — a shocking kill-

ing — committed by someone he knew. He didn't know what to do, so he just put one foot in front of the other."

Hernandez is charged in the death of Odin Lloyd, 27, who was dating the sister of Hernandez's fiancée. Lloyd was shot six times and died in an industrial park less than a mile from Hernandez's home. At the time, the star tight end had a \$40 million contract with the Patriots.

Sultan pinned the killing on Hernandez's co-defendants, his friends Ernest Wallace and Carlos Ortiz. Both men have pleaded not guilty and will be tried later. But Assistant District Attorney William McCauley told jurors the evidence showed that Hernandez was the gunman, that he had a plan to kill Lloyd and that he drove Lloyd to his death in a deserted place in an undeveloped part of the industrial park.

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Ask yourself, 'What was the purpose in driving to that spot at that time?'

Assistant DA William McCauley

NCAA BASKETBALL

Duke celebrates, looks for extra banner room

Duke captain Quinn Cook says, "I think they've got to make some room up there" in the Cameron Indoor Stadium rafters for another banner.

The Blue Devils brought their latest national championship trophy back to campus Tuesday, with perhaps 8,000 fans flocking to Cameron for this title celebration.

Duke earned banner No. 5 by beating Wisconsin 68-63 on Monday night in Indianapolis. During Tuesday's rally, coach Mike Krzyzewski called this "my favourite year" — a strong statement for the Hall of Famer who has been there for 35 years.

Cook led the team onto the stage and big man Marshall



Duke Blue Devils celebrate with the trophy GETTY IMAGES

Plumlee brought out the championship trophy.

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Bubba Watson is aiming to win his third Masters title but he is not overly popular with his fellow pros. GETTY IMAGES

Masters double still baffles pariah Bubba

GOLF

Unpopular man on tour can't believe he has two jackets

Bubba Watson was strolling up to the ninth green, toward the Augusta National clubhouse and that towering oak tree, when he was struck by a fact that still seems a bit unreal. He's won the Masters not just once, but twice.

"I can't even believe it," Watson told his caddie, Ted Scott, during a practice round. "I'm still trying to get over 2012, and I haven't even got to 2014 yet."

Yet here he is, a champion two of the last three years, now trying to become only the fourth golfer in Masters history to defend his title. It's a very exclusive club, currently limited to three

giants of the game: Jack Nicklaus, Nick Faldo and Tiger Woods.

Somehow, it just doesn't seem right — not even to Watson — that a good ol' boy from the Florida Panhandle, who taught himself to swing a golf club and approaches the game with a decidedly unconventional attitude, could even have a shot at joining such a list.

Bubba and the Golden Bear? Bubba and Sir Nick? Bubba and Tiger? C'mon, get real.

"How does a guy from my background make it?" Watson marvelled. "How does a guy from my background actually win it, and then win it again?"

When he captured his first green jacket three years ago, it was with a daring hook off the pine straw on the second playoff hole. "Bubba Golf," he called it, the sort of audacious shot most pros wouldn't even consider, much less attempt.

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Number of pro golfers who said they wouldn't defend Bubba Watson in a fist fight according to ESPN's golfer poll

Watson's victory a year ago was much less dramatic, though no less impressive. He overcame a three-shot deficit to Jordan Spieth with back-to-back birdies at the eighth and ninth holes, was steady as can be on the back side, and pulled away for a three-stroke victory. "To have the green jacket twice wrapped around me, I still can't believe it," he said.

Not that it's a fluke. While his game has never been better — Watson earned his seventh career victory at the World

Golf Championship in November, was a runner-up this year at Phoenix, and comes into Augusta ranked third in the world — he remains a polarizing figure, a guy with an insular view of the world and not always a man of the people.

That reputation tailed him all the way to the Masters, when ESPN released a survey that showed he's easily the least popular player among his fellow PGA Tour competitors. Watson didn't dispute that he's had some "mess-ups" along the way. He said he hopes to use the criticism to become a better person. "I take it as I need to improve as a man," he said. "I need to get better. And I think over my career, since my rookie season to now, I've gotten better. But obviously there's more room for me to improve as a man."

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Cook time: 12

Directions

1. Lightly coat a grill pan with vegetable spray and set over medium heat. Grill the chicken for 4 minutes on each side or until no longer pink. Cool slightly, then slice thinly.

2. Combine the tomatoes, red pepper, avocado, black beans, green onions and parsley in a large bowl. Add the lemon juice, sour cream, olive oil, garlic, chili sauce, salt and pepper and mix well.

3. Spread one-half of each of the tortillas with one quarter of the tomato mixture. Top with slices of chicken and the shredded cheese. Fold in 2 sides and roll up. Place the wraps in a clean grill pan and cook for 5 minutes, turning halfway, just enough to warm through. (Or heat in a 400 F oven for 5 minutes until warm.) Cut in half and serve.

Ingredients

- 8 oz skinless boneless chicken breasts (about 2 breasts)
- 1/2 cup diced plum tomatoes
- 1/2 cup diced red bell pepper
- 1/2 cup diced ripe avocado
- 1/3 cup canned black



beans, drained and rinsed

- 1/4 cup finely chopped green onions
- 1/4 cup chopped parsley
- 4 tsp lemon juice
- 1 tbsp low-fat sour cream
- 1 tbsp olive oil
- 1 tsp finely chopped garlic
- 1/2 tsp hot chili sauce
- pinch of salt and pepper
- 1/2 cup shredded aged light cheddar cheese
- 4 large whole wheat flour tortillas

Nutrition per serving (1/2 wrap)

- Calories 132
- Protein 11 g
- Carbohydrates 19 g
- Fibre 2.4 g
- Total fat 5.1 g
- Saturated fat 1.2 g
- Cholesterol 19 mg
- Sodium 193 mg

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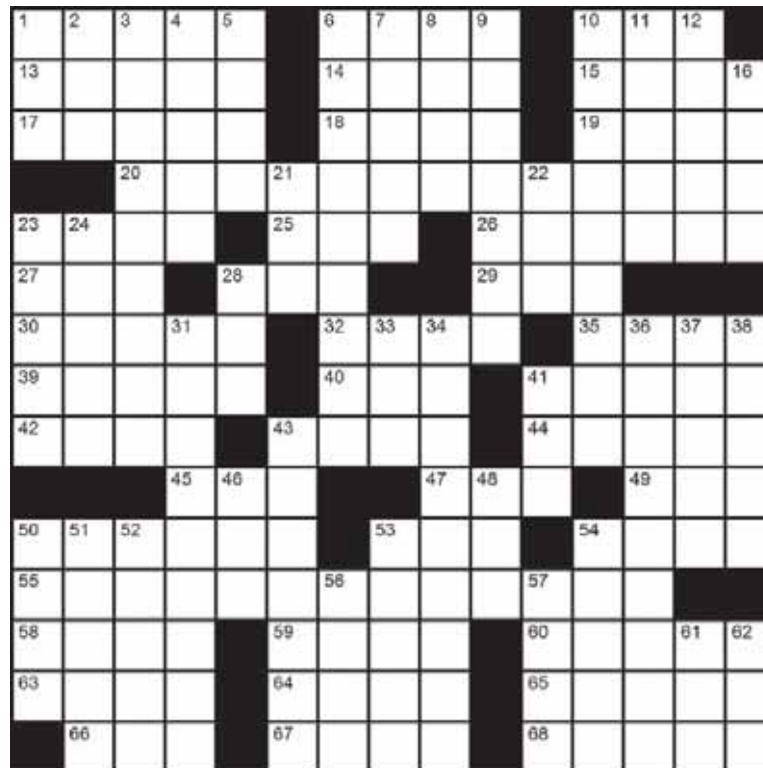
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ACROSS

1. #55-Across hit: "All the Things I..."
6. Absalom's killer
10. PC port
13. Actress Mary
14. 'Appear' suffix
15. Apex
17. Swerve-ish
18. Requisite
19. Calgary's Best Walks author Ms. Beattie
20. Kathleen Edwards' "_____, You Get the Glory"
23. "The Facts of Life" role
25. Q. "I'm wondering _____ is the 15th letter?" A. "It is."
26. As per #6-Down... Vancouver-born actor John who played Muley
27. Poke
28. _____ Paulo, Brazil
29. And: German
30. Vote in
32. Pleasant
35. Chichen _____ (Mayan city)
39. Stockpile
40. Play-____
41. Start
42. Polynesian amulet
43. Mare's hair
44. Spry
45. "Evita" (1996) character
47. Inquire
49. Ancient 1501
50. Potato pancakes
53. Techie buy
54. Time _____ a premium
55. As per #1-Across...



Band, with The, from Kelowna, BC: 3 wds.
58. Prong
59. Opposing
60. 'Beaut' suffix
63. "Mary _____ little..."
64. Hidden valley
65. Feudal lord

66. Variantly-spelled French lily
67. Literature govt-ness Jane
68. EDM instrument

DOWN

1. Audio file format
2. 'Purch' add-

on (Buy)
3. Author of the book (with The) at #55-Across: John _____ (b.1902 - d.1968)
4. Canadian actress Ms. Shearer
5. "____ Little Tenderness"
6. Daughter of actor

Henry (He starred in the 1940 movie adaptation of #3-Down's book at #55-Across): 2 wds.
7. Two down, _____ go...
8. Banda _____ (City in Sumatra in Indonesia)
9. Central _____, PEI

10. Computer-user's activity at times
11. 1988 Summer Olympics locale
12. Freight-carrying boat
16. The Greg _____ Band
21. Car company
22. Greyish-brown
23. Throw out
24. _____ Lama
28. Sault Marie link
31. Hummus ingredients
33. 'Opt' suffix
34. Jess Moskaluke's "____ and Cigarettes"
36. 1926 chalk portrait by Canadian artist Edwin Holgate: _____ Chief (Samuel Gaum)
37. Nintendo's The Legend of _____
38. Swallowed the loss: 2 wds.
41. Hardwood choice
43. Remy Shand's "Take a _____"
46. "____ Haw"
48. April's seas.
50. Carpenter meas.
51. Typeface type
52. Actress Jessica
53. Following
54. Mouse on "The Simpsons"
56. Exclusively
57. River islets
61. Social bug
62. Book before Esth.

★ IT'S ALL IN THE STARS by Sally Brompton

♈ Aries March 21 - April 20

Some topics are best avoided today if you want to steer clear of heated arguments. The problem though is that the most divisive issues tend to be the ones on which you have the most to say. Oh go on then, be controversial.

♉ Taurus April 21 - May 21

Try not to change things for the sake of it over the next 24 hours. You are thinking of altering something because others have been criticizing you for being too traditional. They're right, you are — but so what?

♊ Gemini May 22 - June 21

The planets are moving in your favour now, so think positive and positive things are sure to occur. If you are in any way artistic you can create something special over the next few weeks.

♋ Cancer June 22 - July 23

The decisions you make today will either come back to help you or come back to haunt you later in the month, so make sure they are good decisions emotionally and financially.

♌ Leo July 24 - Aug. 23

Some problems go away if you take no notice of them but the problem you are wrestling with at the moment needs to be dealt with immediately.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

This could be a confusing day in that something is so obviously going right for you now but you still feel it could fall apart at any moment. Stop worrying about what the future will hold and live in the moment.

♎ Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

This is one of the best times of the year for relationships, so don't worry if you have not seen eye to eye with certain people of late. You are still very much on the same level mentally and emotionally.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

What seems unimportant to you may be of earth-shattering significance to someone else, so don't dismiss their worries out of hand. Try showing a bit of empathy over the next 24 hours.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

With the Sun, Mercury and Uranus moving through one of the most dynamic areas of your chart you should be out there in the world making things happen. If you can't from where you are, go some place else.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

Try not to let your emotions get the better of you today. That applies to all areas of your life but especially to money matters.

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

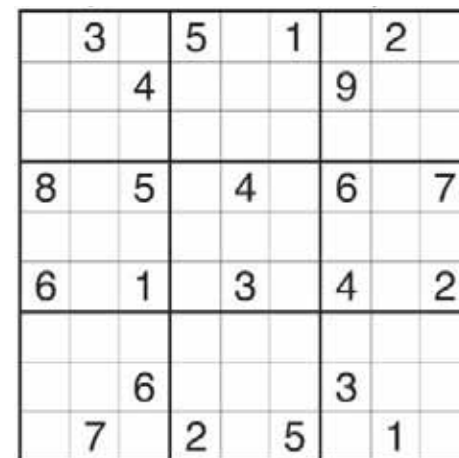
You have no option now but to accept that partners and colleagues have the upper hand. But you can plan ahead and look forward to a time when you are back in control.

♓ Pisces Feb. 20 - March 20

Some people say you should speak softly and carry a big stick, but why do you need a stick when you know you can charm anyone you please? Your way with words is all the protection you need.

CONCEPTIS SUDOKU by Dave Green

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